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- 1. MIYAZAKI KENJI et al. "A novel C-terminal sequencing method for proteome study", Molecular and Cellular Proteomics, Vol. 1, No. 9, September, 2002, page 691.
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- 3. United States Patent No. 6,046,053, issued April 4, 2000.
- 4. Tsugita A. et al., "Reaction of Pentafluoropropionic Anhydride Vapor on Polypeptide as revealed by Mass Spectrometry. A Carboxypeptidase Mimetic Degradation"

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- 6. KAMO MASAHARU et al., "A novel C-terminal stepwise sequencing method" Journal of Protein Chemistry, Vol. 17, No. 6, August 1998, pp. 511-512.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the U. S. Patent and those indicated as being previously submitted herewith.

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